

**A Mysterious Island.**

AMERICAN SEA CAPTAIN'S DISCOVERY ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

The captain of a coasting vessel, who arrived at Guayamas, Mexico, recently tells of a strange discovery made by him during his last trip. He trailed up and down the coast, doing business among the inhabitants of the island and coast villages between there and San Diego, Cal. A heavy wind drove him far out of his way, and when the storm abated he found that he was so far out of his usual path that he had lost his reckoning. He was out of sight of shore, and when he saw land bore down upon it and found an island that was not down on any of the charts. He sent the boat ashore, and the men returned, saying no one lived there, but that there were many houses and evidences of the place having at one time been inhabited. The captain then went ashore and found that the island had undoubtedly been swept by a scourge of some kind. There were numerous huts, but not a living thing was to be found. An examination revealed the fact that the former residents had died in such numbers that they had not been buried. The skeletons were lying around the island where the people were when death overtook them. In one hut were found the remains of seventeen people, while in many others were the bones of great numbers. They had been dead for such a time that the bones were beginning to decay. There was little to be found to show what kind of people they were, but it is supposed that they belonged to one of the island tribes which were so abundant in this part of the coast fifty years ago. Of course, there can only be conjecture as to the probable cause of the wiping out of an entire tribe, but the knowledge of the fearful sweep of scourges on the islands leads to the belief that a pestilence swept off the inhabitants.—Seattle (Wash.) Telegraph.

**Convict Labor.**

From Texas Settings. Said the superintendent of the Texas penitentiary, at Huntsville, to a newly arrived delegate:—"You have the privilege of working at any trade you prefer."

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**He Was Sure.**

VERY SURE, INDEED, BUT IT WASN'T SO, NEVERTHELESS.

From the Youth's Companion.

One of the men who are always sure and never make a mistake recently stopped at a Western hotel. On going to his room for the night he charged the landlord to call him in time for an early train.

"Now don't you forget, the 5:30. That's the train I want."

"But the 5:30—" began the landlord.

"Never you mind anything about the 5:30. I know all about it. You call me in time to get it. That's what you're to do. See?"

"All right," replied the landlord, a little shortly.

At 5 o'clock the next morning there was a tremendous thumping at the door of the man who wanted to rise for the "5:30." A voice from within called "All right!" and the landlord retired to the office.

The traveler soon appeared dressed for the day's journey. As he paid his bill, the landlord inquired, briefly:—"Getting an early start haint ye?"

"No. Always take the 5:30 when I go through here."

"One of the directors of the road?"

"No." "Superintendent of division, mebbe?"

"No. What are you trying to get at?"

"Nothing. Only the 5:30 was taken off the time-table yesterday, and the first regular train doesn't pull out till 9:16. Didn't know but you had some official connection with the road, and was going to pull out on a special 5:30 all by yourself. You wouldn't let me tell you last night, but p'aps taint too late now."

The man who "knew all about it" walked out of the office without a word, and the landlord smiled as he said to himself, "In the language of Josh Billings, 'It is better not to know so much than to know so many things that haint so.'"

**HOW HORSES ARE TRAINED AT WEST POINT.**

After new horses are brought to West Point a considerable time elapses before they are brought into the riding-school; for cadets are never mounted on green animals. The horse first receives a certain degree of training, to accustom him to his new and unusual duties. When brought into the stable he is placed in a stall adjoining those of experienced and quiet horses, that he may have the benefit of their example. Men at work about the stable are cautioned to approach quietly, and always speaking to him, that he may be gently accustomed to their presence. His diet even is carefully regulated, that he may become used to the government forage ration without injury.

His first exercise in line of duty consists in being halter-led by a troopier mounted on a well-trained horse. After this a bridle may be placed on him, and the reins loosely tied and thrown over his neck. When he is properly fitted with a snaffle bridle, the cavesson, a light halter fitted with a nose band, is adjusted, and the longeing strap attached. The practice of the longe is to supple and teach the horse the free and proper use of his legs. It thus aids in forming his gait, and in fitting him for the cavalry service. The length of the lessons is regulated to avoid overfatiguing the horses.

Then bending lessons are given. From them the horse acquires a proper carriage of the head and neck. They also serve to render him more manageable by teaching him to conform to the movements of the reins, and to yield to the pressure of the bit. He is taught to arch the neck, to raise or lower the head, and to bend it to the side. After this, the horse is thrown. This is done, if possible, more gently and carefully than the preceding exercises. The method used is a modification of the Rarey method. A strap is fastened around the off fore pastern and passed over the back. As soon as the horse moves, under urging, the strap is pulled and held taut, thus bringing the heel against the forearm, and keeping it there. The horse is brought to his knees, and in this position he is permitted to remain, until of his own volition he lies down, obeying the repeated command, "Down!" He is not to be pushed over.

This lesson illustrates the theory and motive of all the training. The horse is considered as an animal of a single idea. He has no reasoning faculties beyond the limit of his experience, and consequently he is reasoned with by acts alone. In this lesson he becomes convinced of his own helplessness, and of man's power over him. No amount of plunging aids him; the end of it is that he is compelled to submit and lie down. But in this as in the other measures of training he finds that no harm comes to him; he is treated kindly and gently, but yet so firmly, that he is compelled to obey. He learns to trust his master, and to obey without dissent. He is made to submit to man's control without exciting his resentment, or suffering other physical pain than that resulting from his own resistance.

The horse is now in condition to step on to the tan-bark and meet the cadet. Both actors in the scenes to follow have been trained with this end in view. The cadet is a third-class man—in cadet phraseology a "yearling," from the fact that he has completed the first year's course of study, and has been advanced to the next year's class. During the year elapsed he has seen horses only at distance; they have not existed for him. But while his more advanced comrades have been riding, and occasionally turning involuntary somersaults, he has been bringing his young muscles, under good control, and rendering them supple in the gymnasium. He has been turning somersaults with a purpose. The course of gymnastics is lacking in no essential particular, and it may quite properly be regarded as preparatory to the course in the riding-school, for it stops where the other begins; and the yearling undoubtedly presents a more creditable mounted appearance than would be the case should he pass to the riding-school without first rendering his muscles tense.

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**Iniquitous Either Way**

From the Indianapolis Journal. Mr. Wickwire—"Oh, by the way, I noticed you setting the clock ahead again this morning."

Mrs. Wickwire—"Ye-es."

"Is that for me to come home by to night or for yourself to get up by in the morning?"

**Thereby He Profited.**

From the Indianapolis Journal. "So you don't believe in the logical candidate business, eh?"

"Me? No. I am in for the geological candidate."

"And what sort of a candidate is that?"

"The one with the rocks, of course."

**Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.**

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**FRIENDSHIP.**  
Friendship is not like love: it can not say "Now is fruition given me, and now the crown of me is set on mine own brow. This is the minute, the hour, and the day." It cannot find a moment which it may call that for which it lived: there is no row Nor pledge thereof, nor first fruits of its bough. Nor harvest; and no myrtle crown nor bay. Love lives for what it may win or has won; But friendship has no guerdon save to be, itself in its own goal, and in the past Or future can no dearer dreams be done Or hoped for; save its own dear self to see The same and evermore unchanged to last.

**An Astonished Prince.**  
One of the leading families in Stuttgart gave a supper party, to which the prince royal had been invited. His royal highness arrived a little before all the preparations for the feast were completed. Observing that he had arrived a little too soon, he decided to take a short stroll in front of the house while daylight was fading into dark. Suddenly a trim servant maid bounded out of the house and ran up to the prince, to whom she handed a parcel containing, as it afterward turned out, a large piece of sausage and some money, and exclaimed under her breath: "You won't have to come to-day; we're having a large party; the prince himself is coming, so, goodbye till tomorrow!" and with that she gave his highness a couple of hearty kisses, and disappeared before he had time to get a word out.

A moment later he perceived a soldier in his cloak who was casting wistful glances at the lighted windows of the house, and asked him if his sweetheart lived there, and on the man's replying in the affirmative, the prince continued soberly:

"Then this parcel must be intended for you. The person who brought it sends word that you are to come to-morrow, she has no time to-day, on account of the party."

"Much obliged; it's all right; I'll come to-morrow," said the soldier.

"She gave me something beside," the prince went on to say, "but I can't deliver you that."

"Oh, you may keep it and welcome!" rejoined the soldier. "I have plenty here for to-day."

Everybody at the party noticed that his highness was more lively and good-humored than usual. He narrated his adventure over the cigars and wine, but exacted a promise that neither the servant girl nor the soldier should suffer in consequence of the disclosure.

**"He's a Little Feller."**  
Walking down the street the other day I saw a newsboy seated on a grating in the sidewalk, up through which came a little warthog from the basement below. He had something beside him covered up with a dirty, ragged old handkerchief, and as I sat down alongside he cautioned:

"Look out, now; don't hurt him."

"What is it?"

He lifted the handkerchief with the greatest care, and there on one of the iron bars, huddled up and half frozen, was a little brown sparrow, just able to fly.

"Where did you get him?"

"In the street out there. Got so cold he was tucked."

"What will you do with him?"

"Get him good and warm and let him go. He is such a little feller, and so he ought to have a fair show."

"And he shall!" said I. I added my efforts to Jack's, and after a few minutes the bird began moving about in a lively manner and giving vent to his satisfaction in a series of chirps. Jack lifted him, gave him a toss in the air, and away he sailed for his nest under a cornice.

"He's all right now, Jack."

"Yes, 'cause he's had a boost. Boys kin git along most anyhow," said Jack, as he shivered in the cold blast sweeping up from the river, "but birds are such little fellers that we've got to sort o' 'tist and tote 'm round now and then. He's all right now, and we're all right, and goodbye to you."

"Goodbye, Jackie," I said, involuntarily raising my hat as the tattered, kind-hearted chappie flew round the corner.

**A Man Saved by a Sea Bird.**  
A vessel was plowing through the waters of the South Atlantic, when a cry of "Man overboard!" was heard. The man at the wheel brought the ship up in the wind, and boats were lowered; but by the time this was accomplished the sailor was a quarter of a mile astern. He kept up, however, and as the boat approached, a big albatross was seen to struggle; then away went the bird, flapping violently, towing the sailor along the surface.

The men had to pull to gain upon it, and then it was found that the sailor was uninjured, and perhaps had been saved by the bird. He was almost exhausted when the albatross flew over him in evident curiosity; as it passed he seized its feet. The bird, in its fear and terror, was strong enough to tow him along the surface at a rapid rate.

**A Beautiful Lamp Shade.**  
A beautiful shade for a large bouquet lamp of white metal had a full chiffon shade of white chiffon, whose falling ruffle was made of the material doubled. Where it was sewed on light colored English violets outlined a border and around the upper circle was a corresponding chain of the flowers. Over the bowl of the shade were sewed at irregular intervals on the white chiffon, which was put on very full, of course, tiny clusters of the violets tied with little bows of baby ribbon of the same tulle.

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"Well, said the missionary, "how many wives have you?"

"Seven," said the chief.

"Then," said the missionary, "you must only have one wife before you can be baptized." A week later the chief again came and said, "Me hab only one wife now."

"Well," said the missionary, "where are the other six?"

"Me eat ebvery debbill ob them."

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